

# VILTIS

(HOPE)

## FAIRHOPE - - ALABAMA

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## THIS 'N' THAT

"ATTENTION!" MY ADDRESS IS ONCE AGAIN—RT. 2 BOX 61, MOBILE, ALA. DON'T BE ALARMED, NOTHING WRONG. READ "AS FOR MYSELF."

### HEAR YE!

There will be many moves and changes during the next weeks and months. Be sure to keep me posted of all changes so that Viltis reaches you sans delay. WHAT PRICE LEAGUE?

On Oct. 7th, 1920, Lithuania and Poland signed a non-aggression pact. 2 days later (Oct. 9th), without any provocation and when the Lithuanians expected peace, the country was invaded by the Polish army under Zelgowski, occupied a third of the country, including it's ancient capital of Vilna. The Polish government pretended it was done without her knowledge (! ?!) yet, she did not hesitate to annex the grabbed land. That was the first act of aggression after the last war. An appeal was made to the League, which, like in all other following forms of crisis, played politics but not justice.

This is brought to attention not in order to dig up old European quarrels and squabbles, but—as a warning! Will the future League for World Security permit more Vilna grabs, Ethiopian rapes, Albanian invasions, Ruhr and Saar tricks or Munich sell-outs? No matter how small a mistake, it must be prevented. The consequences are too costly.

PATRONS. (Continuation)

Pvt. E. R. Grossman, Mitchel Field, N. Y., and Chicago; Pvt. Cabbot Boothe, Italy and Fairhope; Celia and Florence Giebutowska, Chicago; Mrs. F. Mitchell, Fairhope; Cpl. J. Mitchell, Scott Field, Ill., and Fairhope; Mrs. Arthur Thomas, Fairhope; Mrs. J. Payson, Chicago; Mrs. Charlotte Chen, Chicago; Lt. Wm. Bain, Ft. Ord, Calif., and Chicago. (To be continued.)

## YOUR COMMENT

"THANK YOUSE", BUT . . .

Gee, I didn't think my leaving the sanatorium would call forth such jubilation. Thank you for the many congratulatory letters. I regret it did not turn out to be a fact. I'm still a resident of Cottage

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## OVER HERE

Lt. Wm. "Scotty" Bain, Kiska Vet, is training a company of amphibian tanks on land and on sea and writes: "They are wickedly rough and my back is black and blue." What? no green? . . . Owen Stimpson (SOE) was home on a well earned 30 day furlough after 18 months of submarine life in the Pacific. Owen was at Pearl Harbor when the President visited. He is presently in New London, Conn. Owen attended the Folk Festival in 1942. His sister Laura, also a folk festival vet, is a cadet nurse receiving her training at the Mobile Infirmary. . . .Lt. D. E. Totten, U. S. M. C., air flight instructor, is a fortunate fad. Stationed in Barin Field enables him to make his home at home in Fairhope, and I know, all are happy. . . Lt. Marney Lowell (SOE) received 4 weeks of gunnery instructor training at Foster Field Victoria, Texas, and is now back to Luke Field, Arizona, to do the instructing. Luck, old boy! . . . My cousin Gene, who is on a Staging Unit (preparing men and planes for shipment over seas) met another cousin of ours whom he was shipping off, 1st Lt. Alvin Charmes, pilot of a B-24. They had an opportunity to have dinner together and a good "bull-session". . . Our three "Ateitininkai" with which group our Organic dancers combined in Philly to make a large Lith folk group, are doing well for themselves in the U. S. Army. They were students from Lithuania when the war broke out and cut them off from their native land. Now, Albinas Reneckis is an M. P. in France, Povilas Baltinis finished the Dentistry Technician school at Camp Houze, Texas, while Antanas Skirius, who with Lucille Zaikis headed the folk dance group, is doing work in the surgeon's office at Camp Stoneman, Cal. By the way, the Zaikis family received a precious little bundle from the stork on August 20, Lucile Jr. . . . Nurses Cadet, ravishing Doris Rose (LYS) is saving an extra big hug for me on the day I'll return north. It sounds luscious, I better hurry and get there. . . "I knowd it"—Pfc. Joe "Eleanor Roosevelt" Simbal (LYS) moved again! During his two years of training he hasn't been in any one camp long enough to get two successive service papers. Settle down, m'boy. Last heard from him he was in Gainesville, Fla., getting glider training. . . .On Sept. 2nd Joe flew in Chicago for a day, on a C-47. . . .Fairhope's "Big Shot" Lt. (J. g.) Hilary Nelson, with the VF-50's is enjoying a furlough in Fairhope. He is credited with bagging 59 planes over the Marianas (17 over Iwo Jima) not bad! . . . Remember Kazy Charles Rudauskas (LYS)?, the frail small youth? He is now a six footer, broad shouldered, huskey and a lieutenant! Presently stationed at Boca Raton, Fla. Kazy's letter reminded me of our first trip to the National Folk Festival in Washington way back in 1938. Others of the first group were: My brother Kazy, Kazy Shimkus, Al Lankus, Felix Thomas, Arthur and Venus Tumosa, Birute Kremianis, Wenetta Grybas, Julia Rakstis, Stella and Mary Staskus and I, and boy, did we have a wonderful time! Now, all above girls are married and the boys are all over the creation, except Felix who was honorably discharged from the Coast Guard and is back in Chicago. . . . Say, Parker Totten (SOE), the bed-table you presented me is of far greater use than I ever anticipated. All of my typing and compilation of Viltis are done on it. Thanks a million! . . . Hugh Jones was to have left Hines Vet. Hospital on Sept. 20th. We all join in wishing him the very best fortune and health. . . Our Poet Soldier, Pfc. Jon Beck Shaub was transferred to Texarkana, Texas. Before leaving Florida, he had an opportunity to meet Jimmy Casebere (SOE) whom he enjoyed to know. Jon's book of poetry will be published by Alfred Knopf Co. Congrats! . . . Lt. Buddy Beiser (SOE) earned for himself a DFC and several oak leaf clusters for extraordinary achievement with "Hell's Angels" bombers and is now in Fairhope enjoying a leave. . . . Flight Officer Billy Keeble (SOE) decided to make his sweetheart, Annette Morgan (Mobilian), happy by marrying her on Sept. 6th at the Church of the Little Flower, Mobile.

## OVER THERE

Capt. David Dougherty (SOE), So. Pacific hero, received two additional oak leaf clusters—four in all; And was also made operation officer of his bombing group. . . Cpl. Casimir Zurawski (NWUS) recovered fully from his injuries he suffered in the Norman invasion as a Paratrooper. His chest is now graced with a presidential citation for outstanding action. Hurrah for our hero! His lambie-pie Florence Giebutowska, received parts of the chute which he used in France. (See additional news in the Chicago section). . . From France, Lt. Dr. Frank Johnson (Int. Hse) informs that he was located for a while in an apple orchard. With the help of his hands and a French book, he managed to convey his ideas—which seems, in return for cider they did his laundry. Frank also acted C. O. while the battalion officers were on special duty. . . . According to Claude Arnold Q. M. 2-c (SOE) "this world is full of the sweetest people that a man could ever hope to lay eyes on, and you are one of those I'm especially glad to have known." Thanks Claude for substantiating my claim. When the nurses ask me each morning how I am, I tell them "sweet and lovely" but they never believe me. . . Sgt. Arthur Tumosa (LYS) didn't have to be on the battle field to be banged up. A cut-up face, bruised and burned eye lashes shaven off. Right eye stitched up and minus a tooth. All this sound like "after meeting" the husband of a wife one takes out. You know, that too is an un-

Hill. Complete recovery will indeed be an event worthy of having a "TeDeum" sung. But T. B. is an illness through which period of overcoming many wars can be fought and lost or won, yet still not have had overcome it. In case of any changes, mail addressed to Fairhope will always find me. See 'As For Myself'. Fin

### SEND IT QUICK!

I really enjoy reading Viltis. It takes us about six weeks to receive regular mail. Air mail comes in 8 or 9 days. So try to send the next issues air mail if you can. If you need a few dollars for stamp money, I'll be glad to send it to you. So please send me more in the future.

Charles Kawalski, SC 1-C  
So. Pacific

(I sure would love to send to all those across, Viltis via air-mail. The spirit is willing but my pocket fails me.)

### BETTER LATE THAN NEVER

Although I be trying  
I can't be denying  
That I have neglected you, Fin  
But, though I be frying  
Until I be dying,  
I vow I won't do it agin.  
Marvin Nichols,  
Fairhope, Alabama

### THE WAR IS ON

" . . . I got many laughs from Mordy's letter, especially the line about the difference between a Marine and other Service Men being that the Marine can read and write. That goes too far. I know several soldiers who can do one or both and doubtless there are a few sailors with the same abilities. It's really unfortunate the Marine gets so much publicity. The Marine should never forget that the newspapers put it correctly when they say "Marines land on an island", but they should also remember that it's on their bodies the Army steps on as it swarms ashore to do the fighting. Guam was taken by Marines according to the headlines. However, the single Marine regiment was accompanied by an Army division. There is an old saying; "The Navy gets the pay, the Marines get the glory and the Army gets the work. . ."

Pfc. James Casebere (SOE)  
Dale Mabry Field, Fla.

### SHORTS

I read the comments of the Rabbi. I agree whole heartedly with him. You are doing a great job Fin! I just don't see how you do it.—Lt. M. W. Lowell. . . I agree with Rabbi Jacobs. Your service letters are unusually interesting. It lifts one up to read them. I can just imagine what these letters mean to those away from home fighting for us.—Mrs. E. Possien. . . . I was delighted to read the letter from Pvt. E. R. Grossman of Mitchel Field, who so well bared the Shame of the South in the face of Rebels like you.—S. J. J. . . Your paper is superb!—Hugh E. Jones. . . I'm greatly pleased to get the Service paper which is the finest, original and timely adapted

fortunate accident. He is O. K. now. . . Pvt. Jimmy Carroll (LYS) likes England quite well, except the beer. And guess what? Jimmy expects to be a daddy soon! . . . My sailor pal Kazy Kawalski SC 1-c, who has a sea voyaging record of 15 years, described the initiation of 50 sailors with salt water from a hose. A husky whacking with a wet shillelagh, and, including the officers, a baldy hair cut. I can well imagine the riot of fun! . . . Writes Pfc. Lowell Reau from France: "The countryside is a lot like lower Michigan. The people are very polite. As each town is liberated, the people throng out and throw millions of flowers on our vehicles. They give us wine, cider and cognac. We give all our extra rations to the children. They are very grateful. The girls have what it takes both, in looks and shape. As we ride by they throw us kisses. In all, the French like the Americans very much, and I'm sure, every G-I likes them. We have come a long ways since we landed and we intend to keep on going. Even when the Germans are surrounded they still are very stubborn. They sure are afraid of our air-force and artillery". . . . Sgt. Myron Leach and troupe entertained 20 "dear old" nuns in France who in return treated them white wine, cake, tarts, jam and fruit. (All this sounds enticing. We'll be deserting dry Alabama soon for happier hunting grounds.)—Their company adopted (what seems) a farm of pets; a cat, dog, white rabbit and a hen.

## AND THOSE YOU LEFT BEHIND

(MOSTLY ABOUT CIVVIES)

### CHICAGO

It's dead business with Lillian Cinskas (LYS), but boy! Is she ever kept on the go! You see, she is secretary for St. Kazimir's Lith. cemetery and is often called upon to show customers selections of lots. What line do you use, Lil? Do you tell them; "Wouldn't you just simply adore being buried here?—Cool all year around." . . . Our pretty NWUH Correspondent, Celia Giebutowska, sent me several blossoms to prove flowers do grow in Chicago. Of course, she admitted, she worked her fingers to the bone to make them grow. Celia is a real busy girl. Works during the day, night school evenings, rehearsals dressings. Atta girl! She reports that on Labor Day week-end, the whole folk dance group spent the holiday having a marvelous time at "The House In The Woods". Northwestern also presented a musical pageant depicting in song American historical highlights which production Helen Daneliak assisted. Speaking of Helen, she took over the folk dance classes at the Settlement and has also been engaged as the Phys. Ed. instructor at the Catholic Academy for girls, near Evanston. Helen was the star dancer during my days, and she really grew into the job. Good luck. . . Northwesterners seem to occupy the space of this section in this issue. Irene Richardson (NWUH) informs that she too had a tough summer with prolonged post-natal troubles and a tumor operation, but all is well now and is kept busy taking care of the baby "who is full of the devil". Hubby Bill is opening an Electrical Service Shop. Best of luck and success! . . . Condolence is extended to Casimir, Tadeusz and Irene Zurawski (NWUH) upon the death of their mother on Sept. 5th. Kazy and Ted are in England. Another brother, Bruno, was killed two years ago in January on Guadalcanal. . . Mr. and Mrs. Sarett, LYS friends, spent a happy recuperation sojourn in the enchanting Lake Louise region of the Canadian Rockies. . . My cousins Ernest and Estelle Dulinsky and kiddies, are doing well as farmers and have hundreds of chickens and ducks, and it's a quack-quack here and a cluck-cluck there and a bow-wow yon. They also get to do Square dancing to Guy Colby's calls who comes out their way in Creston, Indiana. . . .Surprising news! Charlotte Sarett (LYS), sparkling brunette who out senioritas a seniorita, joined the Waves! Bless me St. Patrick! She led our first Wave and we'll make a splash about it. She was one of our foremost dancers, and on Sept. 12th presented a farewell performance at the Bryn Mawr school. Presently she is an Apprentice Seaman (inactive duty) and is to leave about October 3rd, for six weeks training to Hunters College, N. Y. She is a Wash. Folk Festival Vet. Best of luck, Seaman! . . . Miriam Rosenblom says, she too will join to become a Midshipman for 8 weeks then an Ensign, as soon as she receives her MBA (Masters Bachelor of Arts). She passed her physical and aptitude tests. Ah declare and call Vytautas Finadar Zereni-Belajus if it ain't news! Miriam said she had plenty calculus last summer, but no Krakowiak or Fjalnaspolska, which she missed very much. . . Rabbi and Mrs. Jacks, New York, made "house beautiful" for the holidays (Sept. 18th and 19th) and then the "big wind" came and messed it all up.

### FAIRHOPE

According to Edna Rockwell, the Organic School opened its season with a bang and by being stiff "But very stiff" and with a grand staff of teachers and new subjects in the arts and sciences, including Domestic Science, which the School Home's pretty dietitian, Leonice Pharr, will instruct. And, Marietta Stuersel, last year's graduate, who spent the summer in Chicago studying at the Musical College, will be the school's official accompanist. She is now a certified instructor of piano doing private teaching. Success to you! . . . Aviation Machinist 3-c Robert Urbanek and wife (Margaret Laraway) are the proud parents of a daughter Roberta who made her debut on August 22nd. . . The Riggs family Inc. were a disappointed family for a while. Sept. 8th was pretty Aline's birthday, and Steve was expected home on a furlough. His dad came in on a special leave from his duties in Chicago, but Uncle Sam changed Steve's plans and kept him at Ft. Monmouth, N. J., Aline was tendered a swell party just the same, and—a week later,